# HILL CUMORAH EXPEDITION TEAM, INC

# Amended ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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### ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION & INCORPORATION

## ARTICLE I Name

This organization is incorporated under the laws of the State of Missouri, and meets all Internal Revenue Codes dealing with Section 501(c)(3) and shall be known as the Hill Cumorah Expedition Team, Inc.

## ARTICLE II Place

The place in this State where the principal office of the Corporation is to be located is 311 N. Lee Street, Jackson County, Buckner, Missouri 64016.

# ARTICLE III Purpose

Said Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purchases, the making and distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, to wit such purposes are as follows:

- (1) Sponsor the research of archaeological, anthropological, and geological historic events in the Western Hemisphere.
- (2) Research, develop, publish and distribute educational materials pertaining to these historical events and their relation to the Book of Mormon.
- (3) Develop a teaching program to assist congregations in how to effectively and accurately represent the facts when teaching the historical aspects of the Book of Mormon.
- (4) Assist in missionary efforts among Native American people living in close proximity to historically significant ruins.
- (5) Develop and maintain a newsletter for the purpose of sharing recent finds and on going missionary work among Native American people.

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## ARTICLE IV Trustees / Directors

The names and addresses of the persons who are the initial trustees/Directors of the Corporation are as follows:

- 1. Jerry Stoner, 2421 N Hoover Road, Buckner, MO 64016.
- 2. Terry Scott, 1301 N Main, Independence, MO 64050.
- 3. David B. Brown, 311 N Lee Street, Buckner, MO 64016.
- 4. Dorris Mangum, 722 N Grand, Independence, MO 64050.
- 5. Carol Brown, 3010 N Twyman Road, Independence, MO 64058.
- 6. Joe Fera, 1000 SW 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Blue Springs, MO 64015
- 7. Joseph M. Brown, 2908 N Hoover Road, Buckner, MO 64016.

## ARTICLE V Inurement of Income

No part of the earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution as statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

## ARTICLE VI Legislative or Political Activity

No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be in the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

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# ARTICLE VII Operational Limitations

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by corporate contributions which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

## ARTICLE VIII Continuance/Dissolution

The Corporation shall continue forever unless the Board of Trustees terminate it, in which case upon the dissolution of the Corporation, assets shall be distributed to one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding sections of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for any public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated for such purposes.

# ARTICLE IX Registered Agent

The Registered Agent of the Corporation shall be David B. Brown with a residence of 311 N. Lee Street, Buckner, Missouri 64016.

# ARTICLE X Statement of not-for-profit

These Articles, or amendments to these Articles, that do not meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Tax Code, Section 501(c)(3) or other Internal Revenue Tax Codes, or future Internal Revenue Tax Codes are hereby acknowledged by the Board of Directors as being null and void, and shall be removed from the written Articles of Incorporation as soon as possible.

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## ARTICLE XI Amendments

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by the Board of Directors at any regular meeting in the case where the amendment may not meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Tax Codes governing Not-for Profit Organizations to wit section 501(c)(3).

# ARTICLE XII Ratification of these Articles of Incorporation

The below named members of the Trustees \ Board of Directors hereby ratify these Articles of Incorporation as amended:

Jerry Stoner
Terry Scott
David B. Brown
Dorris Mangum
Carol Brown
Joe Fera
Joseph M. Brown

The forgoing Articles are hereby adopted as the Amended Articles of Incorporation of the Hill Cumorah Expedition Team, Inc., a Missouri Not-for-Profit Corporation, on this the 22nd day of October, 2009. The undersigned, constituting the duly elected Secretary of the Corporation, hereby certifies that the above and forgoing is a true and complete copy of the Amended Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation as adopted by the Board of Directors on the above date.

David B. Brown 10/22/09

Secretary